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## **TWO IRON HORSEMEN MOTORCYCLE CLUB MEMBERS SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IMPRISONMENT**

*- Conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine  
- Three other members sentenced to 16 years total*

LOUISVILLE, KY - Eddie Gene Whitlow, age 51, of 5704 E. Mann Road, Pekin, Indiana, Ed Garner Wiggins, age 44, of 610 North Sixth Street, Mayfield, Kentucky, and Dwayne Keith Scott Hawk, age 47, of 807 Tiline Road, Smithland, Kentucky, were each sentenced today in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, to 5 years imprisonment for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky, and Paul Vido, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Louisville Field Division, jointly announced today.

Charles R. Simpson III, Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced the defendants to 4 years supervised release following incarceration. There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

Each of the defendants had previously pleaded guilty to conspiring with other persons, including other members of the Iron Horsemen Motorcycle Club, to distribute methamphetamine in the Western District of Kentucky. Each admitted he was personally responsible for the distribution of between 50 and 200 grams of methamphetamine, which has a street value of approximately \$100 per gram. Wiggins and Whitlow were members of the Iron Horsemen

Motorcycle Club. Hawk was not a member of the club, but admitted conspiring with a member, Dean Hamblin, to distribute methamphetamine.

Each of the defendants had been charged, by Indictment filed December 6, 2005, along with several other persons, all of whom were either members of or closely associated with the Iron Horsemen, with conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine in the Western District of Kentucky during the period from December 2003 to December 2005. One of the other defendants, Gary Lee York, previously pleaded guilty and has been sentenced to 10 years imprisonment. Another defendant, Dean Hamblin, also pleaded guilty and received a sentence of 5 years imprisonment. Another defendant, David Lee Richerson, who was the National President of the Iron Horsemen during the period of the conspiracy, was previously sentenced in a related case to 1 year 9 months imprisonment for misprision of felony. Two other defendants, Derl Sebastian Hawk and Stanley Todd Phillips, have entered pleas of guilty and are awaiting sentencing.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Larry Fentress. The Louisville Field Office of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) conducted the investigation in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration, as part of ATF's mandated mission to reduce violent crime and other threats to public safety.

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